1 BILL NO. 9-87-12-26 RESOLUTION NO. 90-812 3 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 4 PUBLICLY DECLARING AND RECOGNIZING THE PLIGHT OF THE HOMELESS IN THE FORT 5 WAYNE, INDIANA AREA AND IT FURTHER URGES LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO ADDRESS 6 THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL HOUSING. 7 WHEREAS, homelessness in America, the richest country in the world, is shameful and personally abhorrent to the 8 members of the Fort Wayne Common Council; and 9 WHEREAS, the national trend for deinstitutionalization, which was initiated in the 1960's, has aided in the 10 displacement and homelessness of many Americans; and 11 WHEREAS, the Federal government's continued decreases in Low Income Housing from \$33 Billion annually in the Carter Administration, to \$7 Billion annually in the Reagan 12 administration, have further created a shortage in affordable 13 housing for the poor; and 14 WHEREAS, the need for emergency housing facilities in the Fort Wayne area to accommodate families is currently non-15 existent; and 16 WHEREAS, housing for the deinstitutionalized homeless in the Fort Wayne area is inadequate; and 17 WHEREAS, the availability of housing to answer the need and volume of homeless women and children in the Fort Wayne 18 19 area is inadequate. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA THAT IT PUBLICLY DECLARES AND 20 RECOGNIZES THE PLIGHT OF THE HOMELESS IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, 21 AND IT FURTHER CHALLENGES AND URGES LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES TO ADDRESS THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY HOUSING 22 FACILITIES IN THIS COMMUNITY. 23 COUNCILMEMBER 24 Approved as to form and legality. 25 26 27 Stanley A. Levine Attorney for Common Council 28 29 30 31

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